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1. FOLLOWING ARTICLE APPEARED WITHOUT PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON BACK PAGE OF SPECIAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDITION FOR OAU CONFERENCE OF SOMALI DAILY OCTOBER STAR, JUNE 8. ARTICLE, QUOTED IN FULL BELOW, CAPTIONED "NEW NATO UMBRELLA":

2. "REPORTS HAVE APPEARED IN OSLO TO THE EFFECT THAT THE NATO HEADQUARTERS IN BRUSSELS IS CONSIDERING THE PROPOSAL OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN AUTHORITIES TO SET UP NATO NAVAL BASES ON THE TERRITORY OF SOUTH AFRICA. INSTRUCTIONS ARE GIVEN TO THE NATO DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE TO 'STUDY THE POSSIBILITIES OF MILITARY PROTECTION OF ALLIES' NAVIGATION.' A REPORT COMPILED AT THE REQUEST OF THE UN DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE BY THREE AMERICAN PROFESSORS MENTIONS SECRET NATO PLANS OF THE 'DEFENCE OF THE SEA ROUTE AROUND AFRICA.' ATTENTION IN THESE PLANS IS FOCUSED ON THE SETTING UP ON NAVAL BASES IN SOUTH AFRICA, ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE.

"THE SOUTH AFRICAN AUTHORITIES ARE TRYING TO SPECULATE ON THE DESIRE OF A CERTAIN PART OF THE NATO CIRCLES TO EXPAND THE NOTORIOUS 'NATO INFRASTRUCTURE'. RACIST DIPLOMATS ARE TRYING IN THIS WAY TO HIDE THEMSELVES UNDER THE NATO UMBRELLA AND TO

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DIRECTLY DRAW WESTERN COUNTRIES INTO THEIR BLOODY AFFAIRS IN THE

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